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Passport — Belgium — Entry of Indians into — Visa regulations — Letter from the Govt of Ind Recorded

No.F.23(8)-P.V.(I)/48.
Government of India.
Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations.

Dated New Delhi 3, the 9th August 1948.

From
The Under Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of External Affairs and
Commonwealth relations.

To
The Home Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Sub:-Visa regulations relating to the entry of Indians into Belgium.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith for information and guidance, a copy of Visa Regulations relating to the entry of Indians into Belgium.

2. It is requested that intending Indian travellers to Belgium should be warned that, for a stay longer than two months in Belgium, they must obtain a Visa of "Provisional Residence" (Visad' Establishment Provisoire) before leaving for Belgium. Persons in possession of "Tourist Visas" (Visa de tourisme) and subsequently applying for the visa of "Provisional Residence" are likely to experience considerable difficulty in obtaining it while in Belgium.

Yours faithfully,
sd.
UnderSecretary to the Government of India.

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Visa Regulations relating to the entry of Indians into Belgium.

Entry of Indian nationals into Belgium is subject to the production of a valid national passport bearing the visa of a Belgian diplomatic or consular official abroad.

The nature and duration of validity of this visa are dependent on the precise intentions of the persons concerned.

First case. They wish to come to Belgium to take part in commercial transactions or to visit members of their family.

They are obliged to apply for, and obtain before their entry into this country, a business visa (visa d' Affaires). This visa, which is normally valid for thirty days is given to persons of good reputation who can establish their connections in Belgium. For the period of their stay, these persons cannot accept any employment in the country. They must leave the country before the expiry of their visa.
Note: When the validity of the visa is less than a month, it can be extended up to this maximum period, if due justification can be produced for such a course.

Second case. The persons concerned wish to stay in Belgium for reasons of health, to undergo medical treatment or to stay at a Spa or to travel in Belgium as tourists.

They will be given a Tourist Visa (Visa de tourisme) which will always have a validity of two months. They will not, of course, be able to take up employment in Belgium during this period. Like the persons mentioned in the previous case, they must leave the Kingdom before their visa expires.

Third case. The persons concerned wish to settle temporarily in Belgium, that is to say, to stay here uninterruptedly for more than two consecutive months.

They should have applied for, and obtained beforehand, the visa of Provisional Residence (Visa d'etablissement provisoire) in the country. In support of their application they will be required to produce a medical certificate and a certificate of good character.

Note: Foreigners who, in addition to the documents mentioned before, produce a Permit to Work. (Permis de travail), issued by the Ministry of Labour and Social Security, rue des Petits Carmes, 33, Brussels, receive without further formality the visa of Provisional Residence for which they apply. Those who exercise, in the country, a professional activity not included in the Permit to Work and consequently depend on the possession of the Professional Card (Cards professionelle) issued by the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Middle Classes, Avenue des Arts, 28, Brussels, should put in an application for this document at the same time as they apply for their visa of Provisional Residence.

Persons desirous of attending the courses of an educational establishment, and especially of a University, are similarly obliged to have a visa of Provisional Residence. Their application should be supported by a certificate of admission for the current for the following academic year, and prove that they possess sufficient financial means. They can not take up any employment, and must leave the country at the end of their studies or if their studies are interrupted.

A scientist or other learned person, a journilist and even a student who would come to carry out research in

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scientific centres of — to study any given problem in the country whether on a single occasion or repeatedly, and each time for a period of 30 consecutive days can, however obtain a study visa. This visa is similar to the business visa above mentioned.

As regards foreigners in possession of a business visa, study visa or tourist visa, they are exempted from applying for registration as foreigners and from obtaining a residential permit during the validity of their visa, as long as their stay is less than thirty days if it is a business or study visa, and less than 60 days if it is a tourist visa.

In other cases the persons concerned must apply for registration within 15 days of their arrival in the country.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Abstract.

Passport - Belgium - Entry of Indians into - Visa regulations Letter from the Government of India - Recorded.

HOME DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.3149 Dated the 17th August 1948.

Read the following:-

Letter from the Government of India, Ministry of External affairs and Commonwealth Relations No.F.23(8)-PV(I)/48 dated the 9th August 1948.

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Recorded. sd. P. M. Nayak.
Dy. Secretary Home Department.

To the Commissioner of Police, Madras (with copy of pp1-8 c.f)

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Superintendent,
MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

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